Press Release for WV Human Rights Commission Fair Housing Poster Contest Winners

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WV Human Rights Commissions Announces Fair Housing Poster Contest Winners

May 10, 2019 Charleston, WV – Nathalia Albino is the First Place Award winner in the 2019 Fair Housing Poster

Contest for their poster that exemplified this year's theme of "Fair Housing Opens Doors."

Ms. Albino's poster was submitted by Donna DeMarco, a program specialist with the Clarksburg-Harrison

County Housing Authority. She is part of their homework help program. They are excited that a student from their

program won. Both the program coordinator and the help program will receive monetary awards to use towards

furthering their program.

Second Place went to Grace Greene of Tyler County, West Virginia. Third Place was won by Carter

Topka of Harrison County, West Virginia. All winners will receive a monetary award at our ceremony on May 10th

at the West Virginia Human Rights Commission office.

The Awards were provided by the West Virginia Housing Development Fund. They are a continuing

partner of the WV Human Rights Commission in their initiative to affirmatively further fair housing in our state.

They are a Department of Housing and Urban Development grantee that work with housing providers throughout

the state providing aide to bring housing to citizens and to work at reducing impediments to fair housing.

The Commission will also be recognizing Rocmond Woods of Kanawha County, Grayson Sypolt of

Tucker County, and Addison Hunt also of Tucker County. Their posters were recognized for Honorable Mention

for their use of the theme. They will be receiving a gift and recognition at our award ceremony.

Awards will be presented at 2pm on Friday, May 10th at the WV Human Rights Commission office located

in Charleston, WV. They will be presented by Josh Brown of the WV Housing Development Office and Ronald

Jones, the recently appointed Executive Director of the Human Rights Commission.

There will be a calendar available later this year presenting the winners and other posters from around the state. For any questions about the contest or about the work of Fair Housing initiatives, you may contact our office at (304) 558-2616 or the WV Housing Development Fund at (304) 391-8600. The winning posters can be found at our website: hrc.wv.gov